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EXHIBIT 1

TARKED UP" AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS PURSUANT TO RULE 1.121(c)

1. (Amended) A <u>cellular</u> vaccine against an infectious disease caused by an infectious agent comprising a <u>bacterial</u> carrier strain having a membrane vesicle of a microorganism integrated into the cell surface of the carrier strain, wherein the membrane vesicle <u>comprises a bilayer and</u> has an amount of an antigen associated with its surface, <u>which antigen</u> is <u>produced by the microorganism from which the membrane vesicle is derived</u> [which is effective to provide protection against the infectious agent].

6. (Amended) A vaccine as claimed in claim 1 which is effective against another infectious agent comprising a second <u>bacterial</u> carrier strain having a membrane vesicle of a microorganism integrated into the cell surface of the second carrier strain, wherein the membrane vesicle <u>comprises a bilayer and</u> has an amount of an antigen associated with its surface, <u>which</u> antigen is produced by the microorganism from which the membrane vesicle is derived [which is effective to provide protection against the infectious agent].

18. A vaccine as claimed in claim 1 wherein the bacterial carrier strain is selected from the group consisting of *Shigella*, *Salmonella*, *Vibrio*, and *Escherichia*.

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19. A vaccine as claimed in claim 18 wherein the bacterial carrier strain is S.

typhi Ty21a or S. typhimurium.

20. A vaccine as claimed in claim 3 wherein the microorganism is selected

from the group consisting of Pseudomonas aeruginosa,

Shigella flexneri, Shigella dysenteriae, Escherichia coli, Salmonella typhi, Neisseria

gonorrhoeae and combinations thereof.

21. A cellular vaccine comprising an avirulent or attenuated bacterial carrier

strain having a membrane vesicle integrated into a cell wall of the carrier strain, the membrane

vesicle having a bilayer and being derived from a pathogenic bacteria, wherein integration of the

membrane vesicle with the cell wall of the carrier strain provides antigenic factors produced by

the pathogenic bacteria to a surface of the bacterial carrier strain.

22. A method of producing a cellular vaccine according to claim 21

comprising:

(a) incubating an avirulent or attenuated bacterial carrier strain with a

membrane vesicle derived from a pathogenic bacteria;

(b) selecting a carrier strain having a membrane vesicle integrated into its cell

wall; and

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(c) forming a vaccine with the carrier strain of step (b).

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